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HISTORY OF FREEMASONRY IN NEW BERN

(For the necessary research in connection with this subject we are indebted to Miss Gertrude Carraway of New Bern, local historian, and Past National President General of the Daughters of the American Revolution.)

(Continued)

HARRY T. PATERSON

Harry Thomas Paterson, Past Master and still a member of St. John's Lodge, who had ascended to the office of Grand Master to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1938 after moving his residence from New Bern to Wilmington, was the principal speaker at a meeting of the local lodge April 12, 1939.

In an interesting and instructive talk on the history of Masonry in North Carolina, during which he specifically called attention to leading parts played by New Bernians, he read an article which was ordered attached to the lodge minutes, copied from the **North Carolina Magazine** or **Universal Intelligencer** published here December 21-28, 1764, showing that a Masonic lodge existed in New Bern during that year, probably being held under "immemorial custom" and being "healed" by Joseph Montfort's warrant in 1772.

Mr. Paterson was the seventh member of St. John's Lodge to serve this State as Grand Master. He had been active in local Masonic circles since May 14, 1914. Three years later he was elected Worshipful Master. In 1926 he was elected for a second term. While a member of this Lodge, he was named to the Grand Lodge roster in 1929 and he retained his local membership while serving in the various Grand Lodges offices. Not until February 28, 1940, did he receive a demit from the local group to join St. John's Lodge No. 1, of Wilmington.

Born at Newport, Ky., on September 7, 1874, son of William Alexander Paterson and Alice Clemens Paterson, he studied engineering at Rose Polytechnic Institute at Terre Haute, Ind., from 1892 to 1895, and two years later took a special course at the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla, Mo.

After residing at Colorado Springs, Col., where he was employed by the City and County Engineers and by the Street Railway Company, he served during the early part of 1902 with a location party on the Denver and Rio Grande Railway. In October of that vear he entered the service of the Federal Government as an assistant engineer in the Reclamation Service.

While he was in this service he was engaged in surveys along the Colorado River, traveling more than 200 miles on that river in a rowboat from a point near the present Boulder Dam. He also participated in other surveys and construction projects in the western part of the country.

In July, 1907, he obtained a transfer to the U. S. Engineer Department, with headquarters at Wilmington, N. C. His first assignment was the survey and construction of the Inland Waterway from Neuse River to Beaufort Harbor. He then resided at Beaufort. He joined Franklin Masonic Lodge, No. 109, obtaining a demit from El Paso Lodge, No. 13, which he had joined in 1900 at Colorado Springs.

Upon finishing his Inland Waterway assignment in 1910, he was put in charge of all river and harbor works in the northern part of the Wilmington

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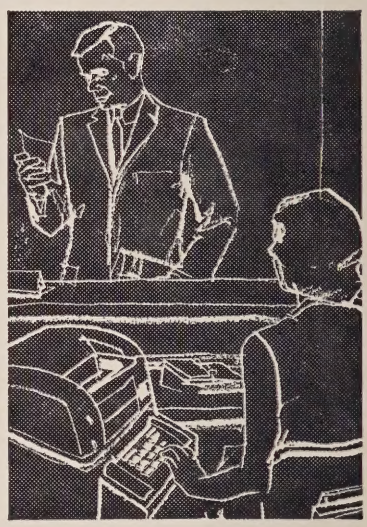

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SECRETARY'S PAGE

C. A. SEIFERT, 33°

Brethren, I want to call your attention to the meeting of the Scottish Rite Bodies on the night of January 14th at eight o'clock. This is an important meeting, inasmuch as officers for the Consistory will be elected for the year 1963.

The Budget set by the Budget Committee will be discussed and offered to the Brethren for adoption and other important matters are to be acted on.

After the meeting a buffet supper will be served in the dining room of the Temple and Brother Luby Hardison has promised us some of his fine country ham and sausage. In addition there will be hot biscuits, hot coffee, creamed filled doughnuts (Wow!) chess pies and other good things to eat.

What more can I do to bring you out to the meeting? I know you will enjoy the good things to eat and the good fellowship that prevails at these buffet suppers.

Don't miss the meeting please. I'll be expecting you.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Clarence Seifert

Secretary

Bagpipe Skirls

Dear Brethren,

It's been said before, but from the bagpipe and its piper comes this greeting, "Happy New Year to one and to all!" Our New Year wish comes in the form of a prayer. Its old, but certainly not out of date. The only title we have for it is—

"An Ancient Prayer"

Give us, Lord, a bit o' sun,
A bit o' work and a bit o' fun;
Give us all in the struggle and splutter
Our daily bread and bit o' butter;
Give us health, our keep to make
And a bit to spare for poor folks' sake;
Give us sense, for we're some of us duffers,
An' a heart to hell for all that suffers;
Give us, God, a bit of a song
An' a tale, and a book to help us along.
An' give us our share of sorrow's lesson,
That we may prove how grief's a blessin'.
Give us, Lord, a chance to be
Our goodly best, wise, brave and free,
Our goodly best for ourselves and others,
Till all men learn to live as brothers.

Brows may wrinkle, hair grow gray—
But friendship never knows decay.

No wonder a baby cries. If you had no teeth, no hair, and no strength to stand on your legs . . . you'd howl too.

Suppose that your hens would learn how much bricklayers receive for laying bricks!

He: "You are the sunshine of my life, you reign in my heart. Without you, life is but a dreary cloud."

She: "Are you proposing or is this a weather report?"

The only way to save money these days is to have deep pockets and short arms.

Applying for his citizenship papers, Gino was doing all right until he came to the question about the American flag.

"What is it," asked the judge, "that you see flying over the courthouse?"

"Peejins!" confidently replied Gino.

Mary: Do you see that boy over there annoying Patty?

Charley: Why, he isn't even looking at her.

Mary: Yes, I know. That's what is annoying her.

It may be that many a person drives fast because he doesn't know where he's going and he is in a hurry to satisfy his curiosity.

Money may not make a man happy, but it keeps his creditors in a better frame of mind.

The hardest thing about business is minding your own.

Building boys is better than mending men.

Now, Brethren, as 1963 meets us face to face for the next 365 days, we might as well make up our minds to make the most of each day, for there's little we can do about those that passed, and little do we know what those ahead will bring. We might remember—

Tomorrow is not promised us,
So let us take today;
And make the most of it
The once we pass this way.
Just speak aloud the kindly thought
And do the kindly deed;
And try to see and understand
Some fellow creature's need.
Tomorrow is not promised to us
Nor any other day,
So let us make the most of it
The once we pass this way.

Your piper,
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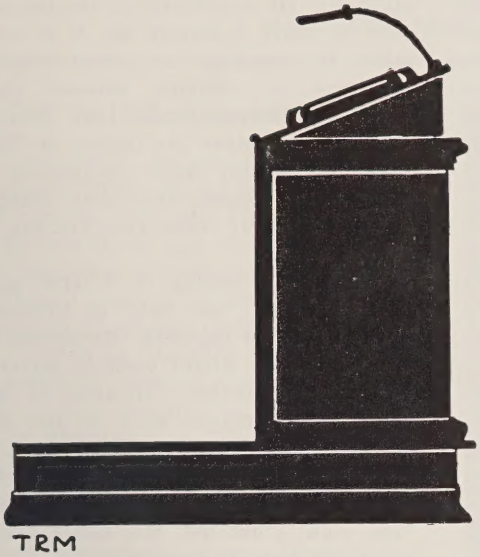

From The Classroom

BY R. L. PUGH, 33°, CLASS LECTURER

We are now entering a new year and a new class of candidates has been added to the membership rolls for the Bodies of our Valley. We are happy indeed to welcome them to our order, and as we look forward to the activities of the new year, we want to extend to each of them a very special invitation to take an active part in any way that he feels that his talents may be of service to the Bodies.

Our last Reunion moved along at an exceedingly rapid pace, so fast in fact that there were a number of items of information which time would not permit being made available to the class. It will be my effort during the succeeding issues of this magazine to bring to the attention of our brethren, not only to our new members, but to our older ones as well, some of the symbols used in the Scottish Rite that are of significance to each member. The one I have selected for this occasion is one that we see quite frequently, and yet I doubt very much that there are so many of our members who are familiar with the fullness of its meaning. This symbol to which I refer is "The Double-Headed Eagle."

"The Double-Headed Eagle of Lagash is the oldest royal crest in the world. It was a symbol of power more than two hundred years before the building of King Solomon's Temple. No other heraldic bearing, no other emblematic device of today, can boast such antiquity.

"The double-headed eagle first originated in the mighty Sumerian City of Lagash. From cylinders taken from the ruins of this ancient city, the double-headed eagle seems to have been known to the kings of the time as the Storm Bird. From the Sumerians this symbol passed to the men of Akkad, from them to the Hittites; from Asia Minor to the Seljukian Sultans, from whom it was brought to the Emperors of the East and West by the Crusaders. Charlemagne first made use of the double-headed eagle when he became head of the German Empire; the two heads denoting the union of Rome and Germany, in A. D. 802.

"There seem to be some who believe that the double-headed eagle may have been a Masonic symbol as early as the beginning of the twelfth century, at the time of the second crusade, but it probably was first known to Freemasonry in 1758, upon the establishment of the Council of Emperors of the East and West in Paris. This was a part of the of the Rite of Perfection, a rite of twenty-five degrees, from which was evolved a large part of the present system of the Scottish Rite. The successors today of the Council of Emperors of the East and West, are the Supreme Councils of the Thirty-third degree. They have inherited the insignia of the double-headed eagle.

"The double-headed eagle of Kadosh (Thirtieth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second degree) is a white and black eagle. The head, neck, legs and tips of the wings are white, while the body and wings are black. Its wings are extended, yet drooping; in its claws is a naked sword, one talon of the right claw clutching the hilt of the steel blade of serpentine sharp, the left claw grasping the blade. The white ribboned motto pendant from the hilt to the point of the sword contains the words "Spes Mea in Deo Est," in black—"My hope is in God."

"The emblematic eagle of an Inspector General of the Thirty-third degree is similar to that of the Kadosh, except that gold takes the place of the white and the ducal coronet surmounts the head of the eagle, again supporting a small delta of gold, based downward, containing the initial letter "Yod." The fillet of the crown of an Honorary 33° is crimson, while that of an Active is purple. The crimson or purple ribboned motto pendant from the hilt of the sword to the point contains the words, "Deus Meumque Jus"—God and my right."

The first Masonic public procession in America was in Charleston, South Carolina, May 26, 1737.

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TEMPLE TOMES

In the Secret Master, or fourth degree in Scottish Rite masonry we early meet with Aaron's benediction. It is especially pleasing to the ears when spoken in the Hebrew. It is as dear to the heart of the Hebrew as the 'Shama ("Hear O Israel . . .")

We have come to know Aaron's benediction in a deeply spiritual way by sitting in the congregation of true Israelites who have turned aside to " . . . see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt". To understand these Israelites is to love them; To love them is to love all Jews. In Paul's letter to the Ephesians, listen what he has to say about it: "For He, Himself is our peace. Gentiles and Jews, he has made the two one, and in his own body of flesh and blood has broken down the enmity which stood like a dividing wall between them . . . ." (NEB, New English Bible.)

Let's listen to Aaron's benediction: "Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, on this wise ye bless the children of Israel, saying unto them, The LORD bless thee, and keep thee: The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee and give thee peace." The line that follows will be considered too, listen: "And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel and I will bless them."

We think of the word LORD as God; Remembering the first words in Genesis "In the beginning God . . ." The Hebrew word from which this world "God" is translated is Elohim. The primary meaning of the name LORD is "The Self Existant One". Literally, as in Ex. 3:14 "He is that who He is, therefore the Eternal I am". (State of Being—A verb.)

We could go on with literal interpretations, but we recall talking with a friend highly trained in psychiatry. He was endeavoring to interpret a conception of God (LORD) in terms ofpsychiatry. After many indeterminate attempts, we interjected an old question "What is the shortest verse in the bible? The reply was immediate—"God is Love." Jehovah Himself said "God is Spirit and we must worship him in Spirit and in Truth". When we learn that Love is all-encompassing, then we see that God is all-encompassing Love. A close friend and bible scholar told us to read our Bible, substituting the word love for LORD, God and Jehova in order to get an even fuller understanding.

In the benediction the word "face" is translated (Septuagint) countenance. Countenance is translated in Psalm 89:15 as "presence" i.e. "Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound; they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy presence".

Let us take that word "gracious". It simply means full of Grace; And Grace means undeserved merit. Then there is that word "peace". One of the great troubles in the diplomatic world today is the word "peace". It means one thing to the Communists, and another thing to the free world. It means one thing to a nation, and another thing to an individual. Peace can mean only one thing as expressed by the apostle Paul in his great letter to the Ephesians "He is our "Peace". Isaiah (9:6) speaks of him as the "Prince of Peace". "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem". "In this place I will give Peace" (Haggai 2;9). Scholars tell us that nations can know no peace until the LORD gives us "our peace", The "Prince of Peace" at Jerusalem. Nor can individuals know peace until—as the prophet Isaiah (26:3) speaks "Thou will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee".

Now let's look at the line which follows the benediction: "And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel; and I will bless them". "my name?" what does that mean? Moses asked that same question at the burning bush "And they shall ask, What is his name? What shall I say unto them?" On which God spoke to Moses saying "I AM THE I AM" (Ex. 3;14 Sept.) "I AM WHO I AM" (RSV). "I AM WHAT I AM" (KJV). Jehovah says "If you do not believe that I AM WHAT I AM . . ." (NEB. Jn. 8;24)

". . . and I will bless them" is a promise. It is a promise with a future, a past and a present. Lets look around us—what happened last month? One man writes:

"Christ is called by Christians "the Savior of the world," but, generally speaking, they limit this saving power to the spiritual realm. Could it be possible that He is a Savior in the economic field as well? I believe so. It is impossible to imagine a sound business structure in America without Christ. Few businessmen take the time to thoroughly analyze the impact of Christmas and Easter upon commerce, but many admit readily that they could not survive without these two holiday seasons.

What I am saying to a large extent is that Christ, the Babe of Christmas, is the Savior of business. Removing Him from business would tend to adversely affect all commerce. In spite of many controversial things done in the name of Christmas I still contend that it is a testimony to His deity when all people, many of whom reject the idea of a divine man, must use His name and its power to help themselves."

January is a wonderful time to add-up blessings. It is a wonderful time to look back to see if we were, and are blessed with the talent of giving. It is a wonderful time to look back into the fourth degree for many other blessings we are given by promise; future, past and present.

Let us recite Aaron's benediction with a new wealth of understanding, a new oneness among ourselves and a new oneness in God's all-encompassing Love.

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"With Mouth To Ear"

BY CLYDE McCARVER, 32°

THE FAITH MEN LIVE BY

Alexis Carrel, an iminent psychologist has stated "Man should be the measure of all. On the contrary. He is a stranger in the world he has created. He has been incapable of organizing this world for himself because he does not possess a practical knowledge of his own true nature." Then he who said "Know thyself" was speaking words of wisdom. The Bard of Avon was certainly a man of great insight when he said "To thine own self be true." Without faith in God, man cannot continue to bear today's burdens nor its fearful responsibilities.

Most individuals whom I have had the pleasure of knowing have been men and women who yearned for a purpose of life above their own natural desires and emotions. This is the primary desire of all true masons. Man is born with a spiritual urge that is just as real, and more real in some instances, as their other emotions. If this reaching out after the supreme being is not real in my life it is simply because I have not kept the flame alive from the spark placed within me by the Creator. Man must overcome the modern notion that religion and God are not real needs and that it is unsophisticated to search for the spiritual side of life. Many men today smile when one speaks of faith. Yet, all admit that modern man must recapture a deep sense of meaning and purpose out of the present world. He must have a Creator whom he can trust and a loving heavenly father who represents purposefulness and dependability in the midst of the present confusion of our world. All over the world men are turning to those who claim to the Masters of the Royal Secret and asking "Watchman, what of the night?" The world needs to be told once again that God has a purpose and a plan for each of our lives and that he will not let us go until we have long last fulfilled that purpose. The Great Architect places us in the quaries of life to fashion a structure based on the designs which he would place on the Trestleboards of each man's life and conscience. It is what is inside of a man that counts ultimately. Man needs to know that faith does not always have the answers; but it does dare to believe that we can find the way and leave the rest to God. When we believe in the good news about God, the most natural thing in life is

Clyde G. McCarver, 32°

to transfer the worries, the guilt, and the doubt to Him. We can do anything that He desires us to accomplish through His Grace. We can become workmen who need not to be ashamed.

Someone needs to remind us that a purposeful life is always a life of fatigue; that the thrill of being tired makes the difference between failure and success. No evil force can finally capture the soul of an individual who is busy serving the needs of his day and the human needs of others. Emerson stated that "no great man ever complained for want of opportunity." There are many and varied opportunities for service that come to each of us daily, if we would but recognize them. Yet, one hears another saying "Calls! Calls! Calls;" Often we feel that we have our noses down to the grindstone. That is true; the most of us do have our noses to the grindstone. Yet, whether that stone grinds one away or polishes one up depends entirely on what that one is made of! An opportunity is good or bad in direct proportion to the character we bring to it. The true man of the craft sees the element of duty in every opportunity. He sees the element of privilege in every duty . We ought to thrill that the Great Architect has chosen us as one of his craftsmen. It is thrilling to realize that each of us has been called to a task in life commensurate to his several abilities. That Almighty God should have chosen us to do His will on the earth is one of life's most sobering realities! God save us from the individual who can see no further than his own shrivelled world and who is blind to the vast universe of God. This is the day for men of great visions. Our culture is turning out too many people who are the pliant instruments of loudspeakers and propaganda. Respectable living must give way to a sense of mission. Wishful hopes stand little chance where warring ideologies are not only proclaimed as final truth; but are fought for with utmost self-sacrifice. Many good people have forgotten what the chief end of man is intended to be. Namely, to know God and to enjoy him forever. We are often confused simply because of a distorted sense of mission. In a very real sense, every Mason can say "The spirit of the Lord is upon me.

We are inadequate for today's world for we have not made the right things to be our first love. Augustine was right when he said "Man worships what he ought to use and uses what he ought to love." In too many of our decisions and our acts we have forgotten that there will be designs if we will but turn to the Trestleboard.

It's what's inside a man that counts ultimately. We ought to stir up the gift of God which is within each of us. What gift? Certainly not a craven spirit; but one that inspires love, strength, and self-discipline. As Masons we are to guard well the Royal Secret and the treasure placed in our heart, with the help of the spirit of the Great Architect who placed them there in the first place. For, as a man thinks in his heart—and acts—so is he!

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The North Carolina Scottish Rite Fellowship

In the November issue of the BAGPIPE, an article was included which gave verbatim the address made by our Illustrious Soverign Grand Commander, Brother Luther A. Smith, 33° at the Scottish Rite Foundation luncheon on September 27 in the House of the Temple in Washington, D. C. This was an address which was delivered before all of the Scottish Rite Fellows who are now studying in the School of Government of the George Washington University, each on a Fellowship made available by the Scottish Rite Bodies of some particular Orient in the United States which has made these Fellowships available.

Since North Carolina plays a very important part in this program at the University, and since we have a Fellow now studying there on a Fellowship made available by the Scottish Rite Bodies of North Carolina, it seems appropriate that we continue the thought included in the Grand Commander's address and let our brethren in the Orient of North Carolina, and particularly in the Valley of New Bern, know exactly what part we have played in this very inspiring program.

Associated with this article you will find two pictures, one of them showing the group of Fellows and some of the officials of the University and of our Supreme Council in the House of the Temple. The other picture shows our own Fellow who is now studying at the George Washington University on a Fellowship which the Scottish Rite Bodies of North Carolina made available and which was awarded to him, Mr. Joseph W. Grimsley, last April, 1962, during the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina, in the City of Raleigh.

We are very proud of Mr. Grimsley and of his record, and we feel that he is going to be a most worthy recipient of this Fellowship. He is an alumnus of the University of North Carolina and studied last year in Colombia, South America, under a Fulbright Scholarship. He returned to this country during the summer of 1962 in time to begin his studies at the George Washington University as our nominee.

Ill. Sov. Grand Commander Luther A. Smith, 33°, and Joseph W. Grimsley, North Carolina's Scottish Rite Fellow for 1962-63.

This Fellowship now has a value of $2200 per year and is provided for the education of young men and women for government leadership. The North Carolina Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, have established this annual Fellowship now in the amount of $2200 at the George Washington University, Washington, D. C., to be awarded to the recipient of a Bachelor of Arts or Science from an accredited college or university in the State of North Carolina.

The purpose of the Fellowship is to educate students for leadership in government—federal, state or local. Candidates for the Fellowship are recommended by accredited colleges or universities of this state. They are then nominated by the Scottish Rite Bodies Educational Committee of North Carolina.

Credit for the idea of the organization in North Carolina, and for its capable direction should be ascribed to our own sovereign Grand Inspector General in North Carolina, Illustrious Thomas J. Harkins of Asheville, N. C., and Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council. The Scottish Rite Bodies of North Carolina originally had a sum of money in the North Carolina Masonic Foundation, Inc., in the amount of $30,000. In 1959 this sum was withdrawn and placed in trust in responsible banks in North Carolina, acting as trustee of the fund. It was the original intent that the interest derived from the fund would be paid over annually to the Treasurer of the North Carolina Committee to be used to apply on the cost of the Fellowship. At first it was anticipated that there would be sufficient income from the fund to provide for the cost of the Fellowship, which at that time amounter to about $1800. However, in the event the income proved insufficient, the Scottish Rite Bodies in North Carolina had agreed to underwrite the difference. Since that time, the cost of the Fellowship has increased, and as bas been previously stated in this article, its cost is $2200. The Foundation,

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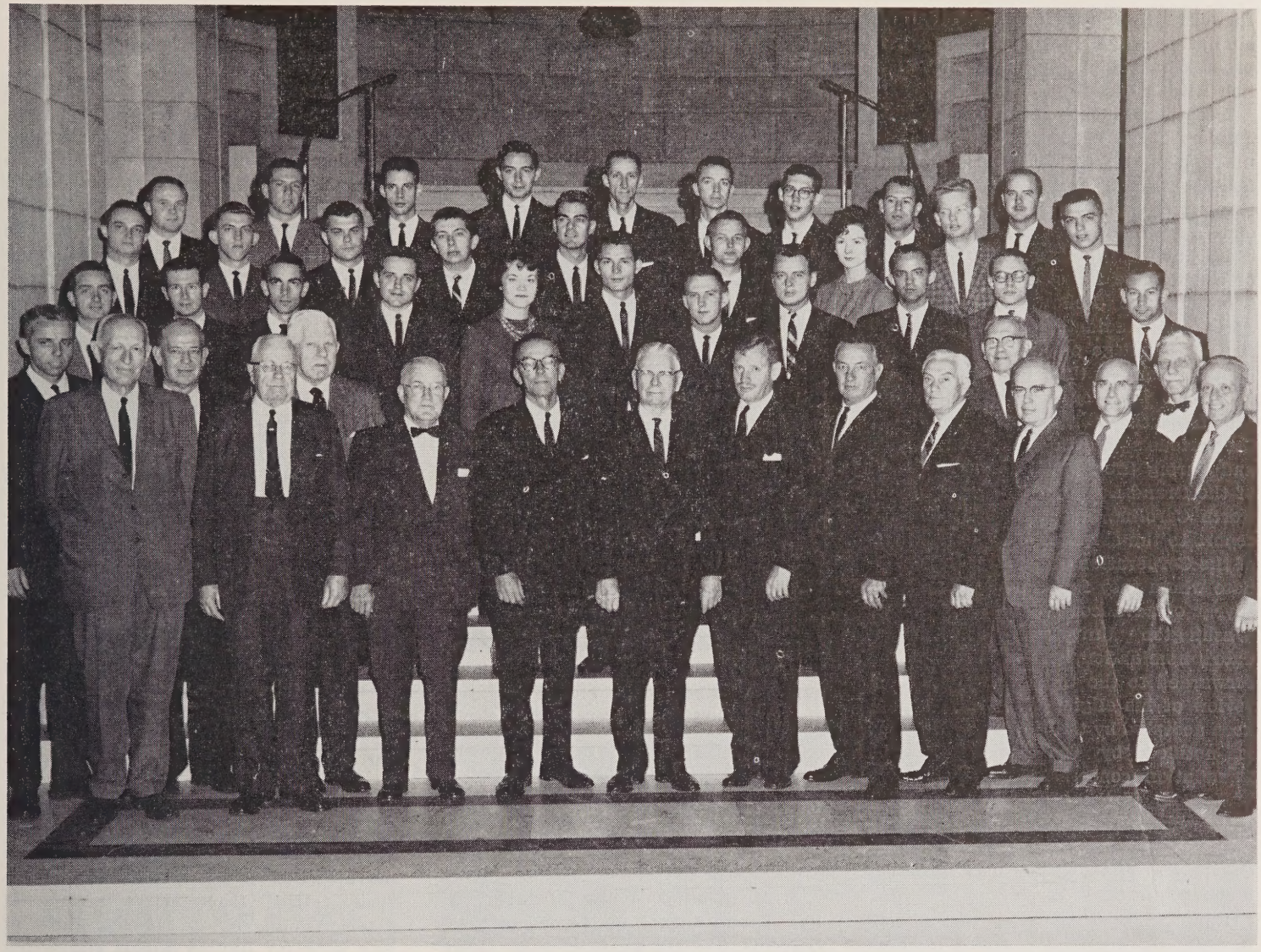

Group of Fellows and some of the officials of the George Washington University and of our Supreme Council in the House of the Temple.

however, has not as yet found it necessary to call upon the Bodies for any additional funds because of the fact that year before last we were unable to award a Fellowship, and the money made available because of that has been more than sufficient to provide for the cost during the current year. This sponsoring organization in North Carolina has now been incorporated under the title of the North Carolina Scottish Rite Masonic Foundation, Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina, and contributions to this fund have been declared as tax deductible. Illustrious Brother Harkins labored diligently to obtain this concession from the Federal Government. The balance sheet of the Foundation as of December 31, 1961, showed $34,-206.84. Since that time, of course, the check for the cost of the Fellowship for this year has been issued, and there have been other expenditures as well.

The need of leadership in public service is more pronounced today that at any period of the history of our country. As government service is increased, the need for trained administrators becomes more and more acute. The Body of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry in North Carolina, under the able direction and leadership of the Honorable Thomas J. Harkins, 33°, Sovereign Grand Inspector General for the State of North Carolina, recognized the need for disciplined governmental leadership and set up a program for education toward government service. A Fellowship Committee composed of representatives of the several Bodies in the State of North Carolina was appointed to carry

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forward the program. Incidentally, similar programs have been, or are in process of being, established by Scottish Rite Bodies in other states.

Each year during December, or early January, each cooperating college and university in North Carolina is notified about the availability of the Fellowship, and application blanks and brochures are forwarded for their use. They are requested to make recommendation of a candidate for consideration to the Scottish Rite Fellowship Committee. After one candidate has been selected from the college or university, his application blank is then forwarded to the Executive Director of the Foundation. The Executive Director then evaluates the various applications he has received, and during the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of North Carolina, he makes his complete report to the corporation. The members of the Corporation then select the candidate whom they feel can profit most by a year of advanced study at the George Washington University. The candidate's nomination, and his records, are forwarded to the University for a final review of his eligibility. When he has been accepted by the University, he then is notified by the North Carolina Foundation concerning the award.

Holders of the Fellowship shall believe in God, in our constitutional government, and in the separation of church and state. They may be either man or woman.

Upon graduation from the George Washington University, the University will aid the Fellow in obtaining a Federal government position, or will give assistance in recommending him for a state or local governmental assignment. The members of the sponsoring bodies will also aid graduates in obtaining positions.

Exceptional students may, upon graduation, request through the George Washington University permission from the sponsoring bodies for an extension of time for the purpose of study for the Doctoral Degree. If the extension is granted, the Fellowship will be reissued annually by the bodies making the original grant.

The George Washington University offers unsurpassed opportunity for the study of the functions of government. It has, for more than a century, prepared students for leadership in government, in the fields of both foreign service and governmental theory and administration, with the purpose of giving the student an understanding of his responsibilities under the Constitution of the United States in the conduct of office, domestic and foreign, and of preparing him for a career in governmental service, or a related business or professional field.

The educational program of the School of Government is in part supported by a grant of one million dollars made to the University in 1927 by the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction.—By R. L. PUGH, 33°.

ELIZABETH CITY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB BUFFET SUPPER

The Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club had its last meeting of the year on December 12th. The meeting was held in the Masonic Temple and a buffet supper was served at 7:00 P. M.

The following officers were elected for 1963:

Clyde A. Garrett, 32°—President
Clarence B. Morrisette, 32°—Vice-President
Louis S. Bell, 32°—Secretary-Treasurer

M.W. Brother James Brewer, 33°, Past Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, was our guest speaker. Brother Brewer made a very inspiring talk on Scottish Rite Masonry as it pertains to Scottish Rite Club level. His speech was much enjoyed and appreciated by all the members of our club. It was also nice to have with us Brother J. J. Gilbert, 32°, K.C.C.H., of Greenville, N. C.

We would like to thank all members for their support during the past year. We feel that the leadership of Brother S. O. McPherson, Jr. has done much to improve the aims and goals of Scottish Rite Masonry in our area. We are most grateful for the service of the officers and hope that all members will continue to support newly elected officers.

LOUIS S. BELL, Jr., 32°, Secretary

NOTICE

Brother William E. Richie, 32°, is badly in need of a job. His qualifications are as follows:

Supervisor of Supply Functions and Personnel (both civilian and military) Supervisor (and has handled) fiscal accounting, programming, policies and procedures. Has audited accounts and supervised bookkeeping systems, inventory control and acted as collection agent. Has leadership qualities and a knack for getting things done. Served as a technical administrative advisor in Korea, organized supply depots, established training manuals and program for civilian aid staff.

If one of our good Brethren should know of an opening for Brother Richie, please contact him at 6006 Palisades Ave., West New York, N. Jersey. He needs work, has a family to support and has been retired from active service at Cherry Point, N. C. If you know of any work for Brother Richie please contact him or your Secretary, Box 1030, New Bern, N. C. Do what you can for this good Brother.

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NEW BERN LADIES' NIGHT

The annual New Bern Ladies' Night Party was held on October 23rd in the C. A. Seifert Banquet Hall, and the room was filled to capacity!

Toastmaster Norris C. Reed, Jr., 32°, presided over the party and did a wonderful job! After the invocation, which was rendered by Rev. Charles E. Williams, 32°, a delicious meal was served by ladies of the Eastern Star,—consisting of—Vegetable Juice Cocktail, Prime Roast Beef, Brown Gravy, Green Beans, Creamed Potatoes, Pineapple Salad, Hot Biscuits, Apple Pie and Coffee.

Brother Benjamin F. Gillikin, 33°, gave the Address of Welcome, making all the members and guests feel thoroughly "at home" and happy to be present. Brother Robert L. Pugh, 33°, introduced the speaker of the evening, Brother E. P. Blair, 33°. Brother Blair's talk on Scottish Rite Masonry was splendid and well received by everyone present.

The New Bern party was indeed a delightful occasion!

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ONSLOW-LEJEUNE LADIES NIGHT

Speaker of the evening, Brother Robert L. Pugh, 33°,—Onslow-Lejeune party.

Onslow-Lejeune Ladies' Night—members and guests enjoying delicious meal!

Our Secretary, Charlie Seifert, addressing members and guests at Onslow-Lejeune party.

The tables were laden with barbecue pork and chicken just before the Onslow-Lejeune Masons and their ladies arrived for the fall Scottish Rite party. Brother R. O. North, who catered the party, could ask for no better advertisement than the many empty bowls and platters which were shortly in evidence.

This party, which took place on October 18 in the Jacksonville City Hall Auditorium, was attended by some 230 barbecue admirers. In attendance from New Bern were Brothers Charlie Seifert, W. C. Moore, Charlie Midyette, Ben Gilliken, Neil Vester, and Jake Chadwick. This was Brother and Mrs. Seifert's first appearance at one of our parties since Brother Charlie's recent illness, and the applause he received attested to the fact that he has been sorely missed.

Roger Kirk was our toastmaster, and he turned in a very able performance. Following the invocation by William F. Thomason, and the assault on the barbecue by all present, Roger introduced our guests and the other people at the speaker's table. Bob Pugh, our guest of honor and speaker for the evening, really got himself introduced. Brother Charlie Seifert and I both had a hand in this, and we sort of vied with each other in an attempt to make sure that anyone there who had not previously known Brother Bob would surely know him from here on.

Brother Pugh delivered another of his inspiring talks. How he can time after time come up with a speech even better than the one before is nothing short of amazing. When he is speaking you have to listen because you want to listen.

"Our Fraternity will be judged on the basis of what Masons do and are," said Brother Pugh, and he emphasized the need for all Masons to stand for those things that are right and to so live that Freemasonry will continue to be an ever-increasing force for good.

George Roberts had done his usual fine job of organizing and promoting the party. In fact, he had promoted so well that only the threatening presence of Hurricane Ella just off shore kept us from having more people than we were prepared to seat and feed.

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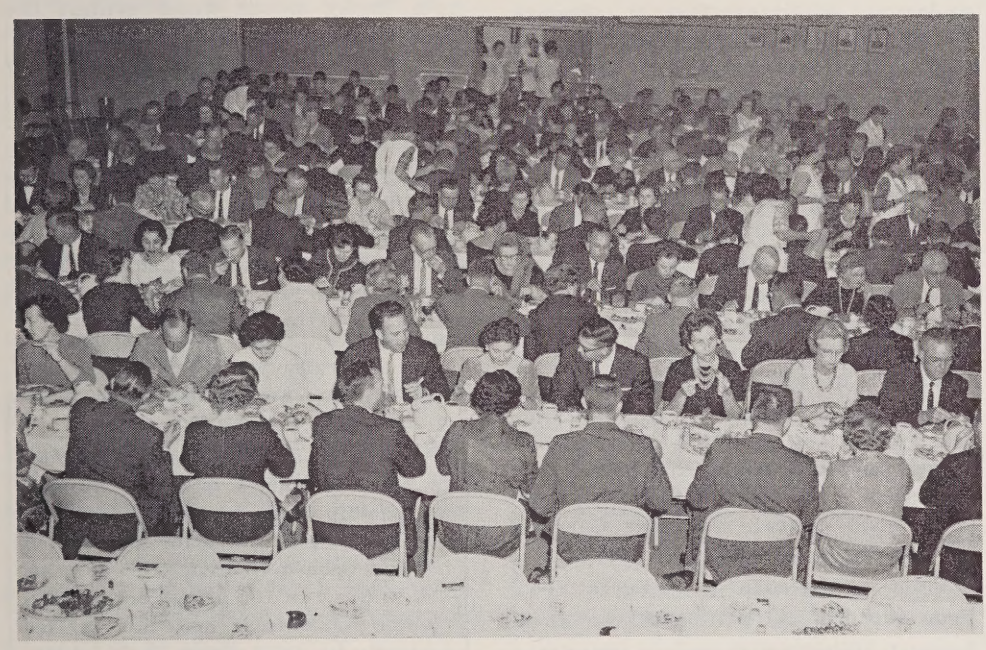
PITT COUNTY LADIES NIGHT

Brother Sam Bundy, 32°, of Farmville, N. C.—Speaker of the evening—Greenville Ladies' Night Party



Greenville Ladies' Night enjoyed by a wonderful crowd of members and guests!

Approximately 300 Masons and their wives attended the Pitt County Scottish Rite Annual Ladies Night held at the Greenville Moose Temple on October 17th.

Master of ceremonies for the event was Eli Bloom Masons and their wives were welcomed by J. H. Harrell and W. H. Smith offered the invocation.

Sam D. Bundy of Farmville, speaker for the dinner meeting, spoke on the "Principles and Duties of Scottish Rite Masons". Mr. Bundy was introduced by Judge J. W. H. Roberts.

The Men's Chorus of East Carolina College gave a musical program under the direction of Dr. Charles Stevens of the ECC Music Dept.

Several prominent Masons from Eastern Carolina who attended were C. A. Seifert, secretary of Scottish Rite Bodies of New Bern Consistory No. 3; Charlie Midgette, director of Scottish Rite Work of New Bern; A. A. Kafer Jr., stage director and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Chadwick; Mr. Chadwick is a Scotttish Rite Mason of New Bern.

James W. Brewer was general chairman for the affair.

(From The Daily Reflector, Greenville, N. C.)

ELIZABETH CITY LADIES' NIGHT

By Louis S. Bell, Jr., 32°
Secretary-Treasurer

Scottish Rite Masons and their guests of the Elizabeth City area were entertained October 31, 1962 in the Dining Hall of the Masonic Temple by the New Bern Consistory. This was the annual Ladies Night Party which has become most popular with the brethren. Approximately 250 guests were in attendance and enjoyed a most delicious Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings prepared by the Ladies of the Eastern Star.

After the dinner Brother Charles E. Williams, 32° of New Bern gave a most inspiring talk on Scottish Rite and encouraged each of us to follow the teaching received in each of the degrees. Brother Williams' talk was directed to each of us and was enjoyed by all.

Brother Charlie entertained the group with a story or two but was not at his best due to traffic violation the day before which cost money and his charming wife was sitting at his side.

The Elizabeth City Scottish Rite Club will hold its last meeting of the current year December 12, 1962, at the Masonic Temple. All members are urged to attend and vote for the New Officers who take office January 1, 1963.

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Ocracoke Ladies Night

Approximately 65 Master and Scottish Rite Masons and their wives and ladies enjoyed one of the best Ladies Night Parties ever held on the island of Ocracoke Tuesday evening October 30 when the New Bern Consistory No. 3 of Scottish Masonry played host to this group with a delicious turkey dinner, fine entertainment and an inspiring address on Scottish Rite Masonry at the Ocracoke School Library.

Brother Nelson Banks, 32° Mason and Recorder of Sudan Temple at New Bern held his audience spellbound with words of wisdom concerning freemasonry and the Scottish Rite degrees. He was introduced to Outer Banks Masons and guests by the Reverend R. D. Shinkle, Minister of the United Methodist Church at Ocrocoke and a Scottish Rite Mason. Reverend Shinkle is Secretary of the Ocracoke Scottish Rite Club.

The speaker brought out the existence of Masonry over the past many years and said the reason it has survived is because of the principals for which it was founded and stands, that the firm foundation stone of Masonry is God, Character, Brotherhood and Aspiration. He mentioned that all throughout Scottish Rite Masonry from the 4th through the 32nd degree we are taught a closer relationship with our God and of the importance of seeking Character through the Bible and living it in our daily lives. That Scottish Rite Masonry had proudly taken its place beside the Church, Home and School as a mighty force in the building of Character and taught men to fight the embattled powers of darkness. Throughout Scottish Rite Masonry we are taught the true meaning of Charity as opportunities to help those who are less fortunate than we. He also said that the great goal of all our earthly aspiration is immortality and that with the gift of Faith we can achieve our goal. Scottish Rite Masonry is a way of life, said our speaker and is the way to lead men into the Light they have been seeking since their first admission into the Masonic Lodge. He concluded his remarks with an invitation to all Master Masons to attend the Fall Reunion which is to be held in honor of the beloved Class Lecturer, Brother Robert L. Pugh.

Mr. Elisha Esham, President of the Ocracoke Scottish Rite Club was the toastmaster for the occasion. Brother Junius Austin 32° Mason gave the invocation.

When the toastmaster called upon Mr. Chris Gaskill to give the welcome address this Scottish Rite Mason arose at the head table and after addressing those present as "Distinguished guests, Scottish Rite Masons, Master Masons, Wives, Sweethearts, Ladies and Gentlemen" he gave what will go down in the history of Ladies Night Parties as the shortest possible welcoming address. "Welcome" he said and then sat down. He received the greatest ovation of the entire evening.

Following the delicious meal of roast turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, tomato cocktail, hot rolls, mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, Ocracoke salad, tea and coffee, apple pie and ice cream, the toastmaster introduced Mr. and Mrs. Guy Matthis of New Bern, Mr. Anderson Midgett, District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District of North Carolina and Mrs. Midgett, Mr. Clinton Bunch of Elizabeth City, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Gray of Waves, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Don Odom and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Odom of Hatteras, Mr. and Mrs. John Midgett of Buxton.

Mr. Benjamin L. Oneal, 32° Mason gave the Words of Wisdom to those Master Masons present on the details of what was in store for them when they attend the Fall Reunion November 13, 14 and 15 in New Bern.

The entertainment for the evening consisted of the rendition of a number of well-known Negro Spirituals by "Two Lads and Three Lasses" Danny Garrish and Calvin O'Neal, Margaret Garrish, Belinda Styron and Ruby Garrish.

Calla Lily leaves with Yucca Seed Pods adorned the centers of the linen covered tables which seated the sixty-five guests.

ROCKY MOUNT SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

The Rocky Mount Scottish Rite Club met at Meltons Barbecue on Wednesday evening, October 10th. A good attendance of members thoroughly enjoyed dinner consisting of barbecue, fried chicken and all the trimmings which go with such a meal.

After the dinner, Brother C. R. Shuler, president of the club presided over a short business session in which the following officers were elected to serve the club for 1962-63: Silas D. Fuller, 32°, President; Vice-President, Carl Stewart, 32°, Secretary-Treasurer, M. J. Stokes, 32°.

Brother Shuler, president, made a short talk on the subject: "What I can tell my non Masonic friends about Masonry". The talk was of much interest to the brethren present for this meeting. Also, discussed was the Reunion to be held in Enfield on the 17th of October and work by the Degree team from Rocky Mount which confers the Fifth Degree at Enfield.

We regret to announce the death of Brother Thomas R. Easterling who passed away on Oct. 26th at Duke Hospital. Brother Easterling was seriously injured in a fall at the local Masonic Temple on Sept. 20th. Brother Easterling was the first president and founder of the Rocky Mount Scottish Rite Club. Masonry has lost a faithful and dedicated Mason in his passing.

M. J. STOKES, Secretary

NOTICE

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Mr. Charlie Seifert, Secretary
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Dear Charlie:

Thanks for my 1963 dues card I received today and for your kind comments about my work. I am trying to do the best I can under the circumstances.

It happened again Charlie and I found about it right after I wrote you last week. I started getting mail from several states in all parts of our country. They write that they read about my work in Charles Well's "Between The Lines" column. Evidently it must be a syndicated column because mail pours in from almost everywhere. Some enclose postage, many don't, but I try to answer all I can afford to.

You suggest that I should send you the names of some people from overseas who are interested to have American pen pals. Charlie, I tried that about six years ago and at least for me it does not work. A list is impersonal. The surest and best way is to have the principals take the matter up with his teachers. If they have a school publication and many schools do have, they run a column with the simplest instructions. But have each student write me directly enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope. Let him or her state name in full, age, address, school, grade and hobbies and whether he wants a pen pal in Japan or in West Germany. I will do my best to answer as quickly as it is humanly possible. That's all there is to it Charlie. I have several schools in Oregon, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and elsewhere including Alaska and Hawaii, but each person writes me individually.

Well, our Reunion will start in a couple of days and I am sorry I will miss that one. But here is something: A professor Virgil L. Raver at Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio, wrote that he read about my work in "Well Newsletter". He wants to know whether I travel all over the country making talks, length of talks, topics of talks, illustrated and charge or expense basis . . . I would love to go there and talk to the student body, but among other things, it takes time to prepare a worthwhile talk and I am piled up with correspondence. Do you have any suggestions? . . . and here is my first letter from Indonesia. A 19 year old Protestant student read about me, yes Charlie in Indonesia. He needs books and I will send him a package this coming Tuesday . . .if some of the brethren want to contribute stamps, cash or checks, Charlie they can send it to you or to me. That is all for now . . .I hope you have a most successful reunion.

Yours, in faith

Stelios

The donation to the Scholarship Fund of Oxford Orphanage, in memory of Tom was a wonderful thing for you to do. My children and I deeply appreciate it.

Sincerely,
Louise G. Easterling

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5 November 1962

Dear Brother Charlie:

Enclosed is a check covering my 1963 dues, in the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies. Please note change of ADDRESS listed below . . .FROM: 85 Manor Drive, 8-0, Newark 6, New Jersey. TO: 407 Union Ave. 32E, Irvington 11, New Jersey.

Do hope that you are in good health and will take it easy. I was in Rome, Italy and Athens, Greece, this past Spring on business, as I checked into the Saronis Hotel, Athens, I was approached by the Resident Manager (he had noticed my Scottish Rite Ring) and welcomed as a brother to his Hotel, as he was one of us. My stay was very pleasant and it was noted that I received little extra services that were not extended to the other Guests. I did not have the extra services in the Victoria Hotel, in Rome. However, that is most understandable. You might pass this information on to the Brothers, who may travel abroad in the future. Wear Your Ring or Pin, you will be glad you did. I am proud and highly honored to wear mine. Hope the Reunion is a huge success. I haven't visited New Bern in ten years. (My, that's a long time).

Convey my best wishes to all the Brethren. Take care of yourself.

Fraternally yours,

Alvin K. Fentress 32°

At least two Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of England were Roman Catholics, and both were staunch members of the Church. One was Lord Petre, who was Grand Master from 1772 to 1776. The other Grand Master was Lord Viscount Montague, appearing on the Grand Lodge records as Anthony Brown, Viscount Montague.

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engineering district, with New Bern as his residence and headquarters. When the New Bern office was closed in 1932 he was recalled to the office of the District Army Engineer at Wilmington.

A charter member of the New Bern Lodge of Perfection, No. 6, he served as principal officer in all the New Bern Scottish Rite Bodies, and acted as Director of Work during the entire time he lived in this city. He was made Knight Commander of the Court of Honor in 1915 and an Inspector General Honorary of the Thirty-third degree in 1923. During 1930 and 1931 he served as Marshal of the Camp of the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

Becoming a member of Oasis Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., in 1911, he was a leading spirit in the establishment of Sudan Temple, of which he became a charter member. For five years he served as Director on the Sudan divan, and for ten years he was a member of the Patrol. In 1930 and 1931 he was Assistant Recorder.

After first becoming a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Colorado Springs, he became Exalted Ruler of New Bern Lodge, No. 764, and President of the North Carolina State Elks Association. In the Grand Lodge of Elks he served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 1928 and 1929, and as a member of the Ritualistic Committee in 1930. The next year he was elected Grand Inner Guard.

For Capitular Masonry, Mr. Paterson was High Priest of Concord Chapter, No. 1, Royal Arch Masons, at Wilmington in 1939. Having received the degrees of Cryptic Masonry in Munson Council, No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, at Wilmington, on March 14, 1938, he was its Thrice Illustrious Master in 1940. He was knighted in Plantagenet Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar, at Wilmington, and in 1940 served as its Eminent Commander.

The local lodge passed a resolution of respect to its former member and Master upon his death January 1, 1943, of a heart attack. Of him this was written by a Masonic brother for the Grand Lodge proceedings:

"His passing has caused distinct loss to all branches of our order. He was a loving husband, a kind father, a conscientious man possessing high ideals and sincere purposes, a man of deep religious convictions, sincere in his beliefs, devoted to his church, and interested in those movements which are for the elevation of his fellow men. Charting the course of his life with wisdom, he pressed with unswerving determination to serve his fellows. We have never known a man who was more warmly attached to his real friends or who would make greater efforts to serve their best interest."

After serving during the year as Worshipful Master and cooperating in the holding of a district meeting here on November 3, Mr. Kafer retired from the office in December and was followed by Harry Lipman. Installed with Mr. Lipman December 27 were Mr. Mitchell Senior Warden; Mr. Stith, Junior Warden; J. M. Spivey, Senior Deacon; Rembert R. Rivenbark, Junior Deacon; and Mr. McGinn, Tiler. Past Master Summerell was installed as Secretary, succeeding Past Master Hibbard, and Past Master Purser was kept as Treasurer. Mr. Hibbard acted as the Installing Officer, and John B. Green as Marshal.

Short talks were made by the new officers, all of whom promised their best efforts for the year. A brief address was also made by District Deputy Grand Master James Ipock, of Ionic Lodge, No. 583, of Cove City, who commended the lodges of the seventh district for their cooperation.

The new Worshipful Master, Mr. Lipman, announced the appointment of Past Master W. P. Jones as Chaplain; Past Master J. B. Dawson as Educational Secretary; and Morris Bray as Chairman of the Oxford Orphanage Committee.

At the first meeting in January Worshipful Master Lipman named William J. Ipock and Dr. William I. Gause as Stewards for the year. Past Master Purser presented a Past Master's jewel to Past Master Kafer. A talk was made by Mr. Dawson, the Educational Secretary.

Mr. Lipman and several members assisted with the conferring of the Fellow Craft degree on January 15 at Franklin Lodge, No. 109, at Beaufort.

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GIVE YOURSELF SOME GIFTS

By E. P. Blair, 33°

"This is from me to me" we frequently say of something among our Christmas gifts. Many of the finest things cannot really be given to us. They must be appropriated by insight, appreciation, and necessary effort. At times, it is a real joy when we open a gift or show to our friends something we have given to ourselves. By the same token of truth, even the finer gifts that we have appropriated unto ourselves are easily recognized by our friends who must surely see by our actions and deeds that we possess certain gifts or qualities.

For example, those three great qualities of Humility, Patience, and Self-denial are the basic principles of a Knight of St. Andrew of Scotland. They are of great significance now. The Cross itself is sanctified every time, by the lives of those who have passed away believing upon it. It is symbolic of the same Cross, which Jesus bore, falling underneath its load on the streets of Jerusalem and on up to Calvary, where he cried "Not my will but Thine be done". Actually the Nazarene appropriated these gifts of Humility, Patience, and Self-denial, throughout his life unto his self.

My friends, it is my hope that during the season just concluded that we appropriated unto ourselves some of the gifts that are available to us. Faith, Honor, Virtue, and Truth, might just as easily have been opened as our other gifts which we opened at Christmas time. In this spacious and lovely Department Store of the Scottish Rite, we stepped up to the counter where we

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were told about these qualities. Not only did we hear about men and women who by reason of these Gifts had achieved Immortality, but also of what people today are doing by their continued use. We lingered there to listen because there were times that we really needed those things in our lives. We could have said to our own personality, these are the gifts that I will give to myself.

These gifts do not tarnish, cannot be taken away, nor can we ever lose them unless we are false to ourselves. "It is the tenure by which we hold on to Heaven," said Albert Pike. Our shopping isn't quite finished either in the Department Store of our Movement, unless we paused to see what the well-dressed Scottish Rite Mason could wear. We were urged to put on Compassion, Kindness, Humility, Patience, Forbearance, and Forgiveness.

When we consider how much of our time here on Earth is spent with people, and how much our happiness depends on friendly relations with these people, it becomes very clear that the most important gifts that we should give to ourselves are these qualities that reflect the true spirit of a well-dressed Scottish Mason. These gifts take on a new and added significance when we think of them in terms of what we gave to ourselves.

What did you give to yourself this Christmas? Do you plan to use them in the year ahead? There are no gifts more useful than those available at our Counters where we add unto ourselves the true spirit of a Man and Mason.

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DOWN ONSLOW WAY

By Reynold Davenport

Both of the Jacksonville lodges recently observed Past Masters Nights, LaFayette No. 83 doing the honors on November 30th and Semper Fidelis No. 680 less than a week later on December 5th. The two occasions were very similar in several ways: in each case the lodge members and guests were well fed by the ladies of the Eastern Star, and in each case the Past Masters conferred the third degree, and in each case the lodge doing the honors entertained as guests a considerable number of members from the other lodge. It is very good, and as it should be, to have two lodges in a city working together in such harmony.

A unique and not likely to be repeated feature of the Semper Fidelis communication was the presence of every living Past Master. Semper Fidelis has had only sixteen Masters during its relatively brief existence, and one of them is deceased. All the other fifteen, the current Master and the fourteen Past Masters, were there on December 5th. One Past Master came all the way from Illinois and another came all the way from Tennessee.

LaFayette is a far older lodge than Semper Fidelis, and its age is attested to by the portaits they have in the lodge room of some of the early Masters. Like many other lodges, LaFayette's history reveals that quite a few of their old Masters served anywhere from five to ten years in the East.

Both LaFayette and Semper Fidelis can be justly proud of their efforts to honor their Past Masters, and the Past Masters can be proud to have served in these fine lodges.

Semper Fidelis' night for the Past Masters brought back to Jacksonville and Onslow County a long-absent George Faville, 32°, K.C.C.H. Brother George was the founding spirit and first Master of Semper Fidelis. Before moving to Tennessee he was very active in the Scottish and York Rites, and he was a certified lecturer and Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighth

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Masonic District. Few Masons have ever contributed so much to Onslow County Masonry, and his absence has been sorely felt. There are rumors that he and Mrs. Faville may move back to Onslow in the spring, and not many better things could happen to local Masonry. Incidentally, Brother George celebrated his seventy fifth birthday during his visit here, and his many friends will be happy to hear that he is a very young seventy-five.

My wife and I were dressing for a party the other night when she informed me that she had lost two of one of her earbobs. (You figure it out--I couldn't.)

The repair man got our TV so far out of adjustment the other day that it made Don Knotts look fat. What this did to Jackie Gleason defies description.

A number of candidates who were kept away from the November Reunion by the Cuban crisis have returned to the area and, for more reasons than one, we sincerely hope that they will not soon leave us again.

Lodges were operating in the Colonies prior to 1730 by what was called prescriptive rights. A sufficient number of members to open a Lodge would hold a session and confer Degrees. It was not until 1730 that there was any legal authority to constitute Lodges according to English regulations adopted in 1717.

A Cuban Hero: Every Lodge in Cuba displayed a bust of Bro. Jose Marti, the "George Washington of Cuba." Martyr Bro. Marti was an ardent Mason who led his people to victory at the cost of his own life . . . this brave Mason headed the movement which threw off the yoke of 400 years of Church-State slavery by Spanish tyranny.

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LENOIR COUNTY SCOTTISH RITE CLUB

At a meeting held at King's Bar-B-Que at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 6, 1962, Vice-President Oscar C. Brock called the meeting to order and our guests and new members were recognized. Brother Kirby Hawkins gave thanks and dinner was served.

The Treasurer's report was made and Brother F. J. West reported a Balance of $369.58 in the Bank. The Secretary reported that 50 members paid their dues for the 1962 year and that approximately 20 had already paid their 1963 dues.

Vice-President Brock reported on the degree team progress and stated that 5 parts were now open in the 32° for the Spring Reunion. Past President Keffer encouraged the members to get out and get new brothers for the 1963 Spring Reunion.

Election of officers for the 1963 year were held and the following were elected:

President—Cpl. Oscar C. Brock
Vice-President—C. J. Herring, Jr.
Secretary—John D. Charlton
Treasurer—F. J. West

A board of Directors was elected and required to meet at least a week prior to all meetings during the year. Those elected to serve were:

One Year Term—Herchel J. Hearn
Two Year Term—Raymond B. Smith
Three Year Term—Dr. William A. Keffer, Past President.

Brother Kirby Hawkins was appointed Chaplain.

Twenty-Six members and guests were present.

The New Officers for 1963 expressed their appreciation and support for the New Year.

C. J. HERRING, JR., Secretary

Sixty of the 82 chosen by Admiral Byrd for his famous South Pole expeditions were Brother Masons.

In Memoriam

And not until the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Shall God unroll the pattern
And explain the reason why.
The dark threads were so needful
In the weaver's skillful hand.
As the threads of gold and silver.
For the pattern which He planned.

Mark L. Skinner, 32°, New Bern, N. C. ..... **Dec. 7, 1962**

James Pugh Gregory, 32°, Elizabeth City, N. C. ..... **Oct. 4, 1962**

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